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SUPERINTENDENT LUNA ISSUES STATEMENT ON THE ELECTION

BOISE – Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna issued the following statement regarding the results of the November 6 election.

"I still believe that Idahoans want better schools through education reform. I still believe that empowering local school boards, phasing out tenure, giving parents input on evaluations, helping students take dual credit, paying teachers for more than just years of experience and amount of education, and making sure every classroom is a 21^{st} Century Classroom are critical if we want an education system that meets the needs of every child. We have now had a 22-month discussion about what this should look like. I understand Idahoans have expressed concerns, yet I do not believe any Idahoan wants to go back to the status quo system we had two years ago. I am as committed as anyone to finding a way to make this happen. We must find a way because our children's future is at stake."

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